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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No.: 09/500,746 ✓

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For : USES OF INHIBITORS FOR THE ACTIVATION OF CXCR4
RECEPTOR BY SDF-1 IN TREATING RHEUMATOID
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September 25, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO
JUNE 25, 2001 COMMUNICATION REGARDING NOTICE TO
COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING
NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES AND
PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the June 25, 2001 Communication Regarding Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the Notice to Comply is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. A response to the June 25, 2001 Notice was originally due July 25, 2001. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time to September 25, 2001. The fee for a two-month extension of time is ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$155.00) for a small entity. Applicants have previously established small entity status and check for this amount is enclosed herewith. Therefore, a reply to the June 25, 2001 Communication is now due September 25, 2001. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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